

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MONTANA BILLINGS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

KEEGAN TAIT ROLL

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: CR 23-40-BLG-SPW-4

USM Number: 48839-510

Lance G. Lundvall

Defendant's Attorney

THE DEFENDANT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | pleaded guilty to count(s) | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) which was accepted by the court | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | was found guilty on count(s) after a plea of not guilty | |

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section / Nature of Offense**Offense Ended****Count**

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) Possession With Intent To Distribute Fentanyl, 18 U.S.C. §

03/09/2023

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2 Aiding and Abetting, Forfeiture Allegation

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 7 of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

☒ Count 1 ☒ is ☐ are dismissed on the motion of the United States

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

March 7, 2024

Date of Imposition of Judgment



Signature of Judge

Susan P. Watters**United States District Judge**

Name and Title of Judge

March 7, 2024

Date

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IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of: twelve (12) months and one (1) day as to count 3.

- ☒ The court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:
(1) Defendant shall be placed at the Bureau of Prisons' facility at FPC Yankton in South Dakota for proximity to family.

- ☒ The defendant is remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.
☐ The defendant shall surrender to the United States Marshal for this district:

☐ at ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. on

☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.

- ☐ The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons:

- ☐ before 2 p.m. on
☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.
☐ as notified by the Probation or Pretrial Services Office.

RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on _____ to

at _____, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By: _____
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of: three (3) years.

MANDATORY CONDITIONS

1. You must not commit another federal, state or local crime.
2. You must not unlawfully possess a controlled substance.
3. You must refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. You must submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as determined by the court.
 - ☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended, based on the court's determination that you pose a low risk of future substance abuse. *(check if applicable)*
4. ☐ You must make restitution in accordance with 18 U.S.C. §§ 3663 and 3663A or any other statute authorizing a sentence of restitution. *(check if applicable)*
5. ☒ You must cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. *(check if applicable)*
6. ☐ You must comply with the requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (34 U.S.C. § 20901, et seq.) as directed by the probation officer, the Bureau of Prisons, or any state sex offender registration agency in which you reside, work, are a student, or were convicted of a qualifying offense. *(check if applicable)*
7. ☐ You must participate in an approved program for domestic violence. *(check if applicable)*

You must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

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STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

As part of your supervised release, you must comply with the following standard conditions of supervision. These conditions are imposed because they establish the basic expectations for your behavior while on supervision and identify the minimum tools needed by probation officers to keep informed, report to the court about, and bring about improvements in your conduct and condition.

1. You must report to the probation office in the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside within 72 hours of your release from imprisonment, unless the probation officer instructs you to report to a different probation office or within a different time frame.
2. After initially reporting to the probation office, you will receive instructions from the court or the probation officer about how and when you must report to the probation officer, and you must report to the probation officer as instructed.
3. You must not knowingly leave the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside without first getting permission from the court or the probation officer.
4. You must answer truthfully the questions asked by your probation officer.
5. You must live at a place approved by the probation officer. If you plan to change where you live or anything about your living arrangements (such as the people you live with), you must notify the probation officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the probation officer in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
6. You must allow the probation officer to visit you at any time at your home or elsewhere, and you must permit the probation officer to take any items prohibited by the conditions of your supervision that he or she observes in plain view.
7. You must work full time (at least 30 hours per week) at a lawful type of employment, unless the probation officer excuses you from doing so. If you do not have full-time employment you must try to find full-time employment, unless the probation officer excuses you from doing so. If you plan to change where you work or anything about your work (such as your position or your job responsibilities), you must notify the probation officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the probation officer at least 10 days in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
8. You must not communicate or interact with someone you know is engaged in criminal activity. If you know someone has been convicted of a felony, you must not knowingly communicate or interact with that person without first getting the permission of the probation officer.
9. If you are arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours.
10. You must not own, possess, or have access to a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or dangerous weapon (i.e., anything that was designed, or was modified for, the specific purpose of causing bodily injury or death to another person such as nunchakus or tasers).
11. You must not act or make any agreement with a law enforcement agency to act as a confidential human source or informant without first getting the permission of the court.
12. If the probation officer determines that you pose a risk to another person (including an organization), the probation officer may require you to notify the person about the risk and you must comply with that instruction. The probation officer may contact the person and confirm that you have notified the person about the risk.
13. You must follow the instructions of the probation officer related to the conditions of supervision.

U.S. Probation Office Use Only

A U.S. probation officer has instructed me on the conditions specified by the court and has provided me with a written copy of this judgment containing these conditions. I understand additional information regarding these conditions is available at <https://www.mtp.uscourts.gov/post-conviction-supervision>.

Defendant's Signature _____

Date _____

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

1. You must participate in an outpatient program for mental health treatment as approved by the probation officer. You must remain in the program until you are released by the probation officer in consultation with the treatment provider. You must pay part or all of the costs of this treatment as directed by the probation officer.
2. You must submit your person, residence, place of employment, vehicles, and papers, to a search, with or without a warrant by any probation officer based on reasonable suspicion of contraband or evidence in violation of a condition of release. Failure to submit to search may be grounds for revocation. You must warn any other occupants that the premises may be subject to searches pursuant to this condition. You must allow seizure of suspected contraband for further examination.
3. You must abstain from the consumption of alcohol and are prohibited from entering establishments where alcohol is the primary item of sale.
4. You must participate in substance abuse testing to include not more than 365 urinalysis tests, not more than 365 breathalyzer tests, and not more than 36 sweat patch applications annually during the period of supervision. You must pay part or all of the costs of testing as directed by the probation officer.
5. You must participate in and successfully complete an outpatient program of substance abuse treatment as approved by the probation officer. You must remain in the program until you are released by the probation officer in consultation with the treatment provider. You must pay part or all of the costs of this treatment as directed by the probation officer.
6. You must participate in and participate in an inpatient program of substance abuse treatment as approved by your probation officer. You must remain in the program until you are released by your probation officer in consultation with your treatment provider. You must pay all or part of the costs of treatment as directed by your probation officer.
7. You must not purchase, possess, use, distribute or administer marijuana, including marijuana that is used for recreational or medicinal purposes under state law.
8. You must not possess, ingest or inhale any psychoactive substances that are not manufactured for human consumption for the purpose of altering your mental or physical state. Psychoactive substances include, but are not limited to, synthetic marijuana, kratom and/or synthetic stimulants such as bath salts and spice.
9. You shall participate in and successfully complete the Montana 13th Judicial District Sobriety, Treatment, Accountability, Recovery (STAR) Court and shall not terminate from the program without prior approval from your probation officer. You shall abide by all terms and conditions of the program as set forth by your probation officer and the STAR Court.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments.

| | <u>Assessment</u> | <u>JVTA</u> <u>Assessment**</u> | <u>AVAA</u> <u>Assessment*</u> | <u>Fine</u> | <u>Restitution</u> |
|---------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| TOTALS | \$100.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$.00 | \$.00 |

- ☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until *An Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case*
(AO245C) will be entered after such determination.
☐ The defendant must make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed below.

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

- ☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$
- ☐ The defendant must pay interest on restitution and a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or fine is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 6 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).
- ☐ The court determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:
- ☐ the interest requirement is waived for ☐ fine ☐ restitution
the
- ☐ the interest requirement for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

*Amy, Vicky, and Andy Child Pornography Victim Assistance Act of 2018, Pub. L. No. 115-299.

**Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2015, Pub. L. No. 114-22

** Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties is due as follows:

- A ☒ Lump sum payments of \$ 100 due immediately, balance due
☐ not later than _____, or
☒ in accordance with ☐ C, ☐ D, ☐ E, or ☒ F below; or
- B ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C, ☐ D, or ☐ F below); or
- C ☐ Payment in equal _____ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ _____ over a period of _____ (e.g., months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D ☐ Payment in equal 20 (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ _____ over a period of _____ (e.g., months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release will commence within _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F ☒ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:
Criminal monetary penalty payments are due during imprisonment at the rate of not less than \$25.00 per quarter, and payment shall be through the Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. Criminal monetary payments shall be made to the Clerk, United States District Court, James F. Battin Federal Courthouse, 2601 2nd Ave North, Ste 1200, Billings, MT 59101 or online at <https://www.pay.gov/public/form/start/790999918>. Please see www.mtd.uscourts.gov/criminal-debt for more information.

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

- o Joint and Several
See above for Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.
- ☐ Defendant shall receive credit on his restitution obligation for recovery from other defendants who contributed to the same loss that gave rise to defendant's restitution obligation.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☐ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States:

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) AVAA assessment, (5) fine principal, (6) fine interest, (7) community restitution, (8) JVTA Assessment, (9) penalties, and (10) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

AO 245B (Rev. 11/16) Judgment in a Criminal Case
Attachment – Statement of Reasons

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STATEMENT OF REASONS
(Not for Public Disclosure)

Sections I, II, III, IV, and VII of the Statement of Reasons form must be completed in all felony and Class A misdemeanor cases.

I. COURT FINDINGS ON PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT

- A. ☐ The court adopts the presentence investigation report without change.
- B. ☒ The court adopts the presentence investigation report with the following changes: *(Use Section VIII if necessary)*
(Check all that apply and specify court determination, findings, or comments, referencing paragraph numbers in the presentence report)
1. ☒ Chapter Two of the United States Sentencing Commission Guidelines Manual determinations by court *(briefly summarize the changes, including changes to base offense level, or specific offense characteristics)*:
The Government agreed with Defendant's objection that the base offense level should be 20, not 26 because the Government did not have the evidence to prove that Defendant should be accountable for the 17g of methamphetamine described in paragraph 18. As such, the PSR shall be amended as follows: In ¶ 36, the base offense level should be 20. In ¶ 41, the adjusted offense level should be 18. In ¶ 45, the total offense level should be 15. In ¶ 106, the total offense level should be 15 and the guideline range should be 24 to 30 months. Paragraph 114 should be amended to reflect a fine of \$7,500 to \$1,000,000.
 2. ☐ Chapter Three of the United States Sentencing Commission Guidelines Manual determinations by court *(briefly summarize the changes, including changes to victim-related adjustments, role in the offense, obstruction of justice, multiple counts, or acceptance of responsibility)*:
 3. ☐ Chapter Four of the United States Sentencing Commission Guidelines Manual determinations by court *(briefly summarize the changes, including changes to criminal history category or scores, career offender status, or criminal livelihood determinations)*:
 4. ☐ Additional Comments or Findings *(include comments or factual findings concerning any information in the presentence report, including information that the Federal Bureau of Prisons may rely on when it makes inmate classification, designation, or programming decisions; any other rulings on disputed portions of the presentence investigation report; identification of those portions of the report in dispute but for which a court determination is unnecessary because the matter will not affect sentencing or the court will not consider it)*:
The first page of the PSR shall be amended to reflect the new sentencing date, March 7, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.
- C. ☐ The record establishes no need for a presentence investigation report pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 32.
Applicable Sentencing Guideline *(if more than one guideline applies, list the guideline producing the highest offense level)*: _____

II. COURT FINDINGS ON MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCE *(Check all that apply.)*

- A. ☐ One or more counts of conviction carry a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment and the sentence imposed is at or above the applicable mandatory minimum term.
- B. ☐ One or more counts of conviction carry a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment, but the sentence imposed is below the mandatory minimum term because the court has determined that the mandatory minimum term does not apply based on:
- ☐ Findings of fact in this case (Specify): _____
- ☐ substantial assistance (18 U.S.C. § 3553(e))
- ☐ the statutory safety valve (18 U.S.C. § 3553(f))
- C. ☒ No count of conviction carries a mandatory minimum sentence.

III. COURT DETERMINATION OF GUIDELINE RANGE *(BEFORE DEPARTURES OR VARIANCES)*:

| | |
|---|------------------------------|
| Total Offense Level: | 15 |
| Criminal History Category: | III |
| Guideline Range <i>(after application of §5G1.1 and §5G1.2)</i> : | 24 to 30 months |
| Supervised Release Range: | 1 to 3 years |
| Fine Range: | \$7,500.00 to \$1,000,000.00 |

- ☒ Fine waived or below the guideline range because of inability to pay.

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IV. GUIDELINE SENTENCING DETERMINATION *(Check all that apply)*

- A. ☐ The sentence is within the guideline range and the difference between the maximum and minimum of the guideline range does not exceed 24 months.
- B. ☐ The sentence is within the guideline range and the difference between the maximum and minimum of the guideline range exceeds 24 months, and the specific sentence is imposed for these reasons: _____. *(Use Section VIII if necessary)*
- C. ☐ The court departs from the guideline range for one or more reasons provided in the Guidelines Manual. *(Also complete Section V)*
- D. ☒ The court imposed a sentence otherwise outside the sentencing guideline system (i.e., a variance). *(Also complete Section VI)*

V. DEPARTURES PURSUANT TO THE GUIDELINES MANUAL *(If applicable)*

A. The sentence imposed departs *(Check only one):*

- ☐ above the guideline range
- ☐ below the guideline range

B. Motion for departure before the court pursuant to *(Check all that apply and specify reason(s) in sections C and D):*

1. Plea Agreement

- ☐ binding plea agreement for departure accepted by the court
- ☐ plea agreement for departure, which the court finds to be reasonable
- ☐ plea agreement that states that the government will not oppose a defense departure motion

2. Motion Not Addressed in a Plea Agreement

- ☐ government motion for departure
- ☐ defense motion for departure to which the government did not object
- ☐ defense motion for departure to which the government objected
- ☐ joint motion by both parties

3. Other

- ☐ Other than a plea agreement or motion by the parties for departure

C. Reasons for departure *(Check all that apply):*

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4A1.3 Criminal History Inadequacy | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.1 Death | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.12 Coercion and Duress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.1 Age | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.2 Physical Injury | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.13 Diminished Capacity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.2 Education and Vocational Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.3 Extreme Psychological Injury | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.14 Public Welfare |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.3 Mental and Emotional Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.4 Abduction or Unlawful Restraint | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.16 Voluntary Disclosure of Offense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.4 Physical Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.5 Property Damage or Loss | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.17 High-Capacity Semiautomatic Weapon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.5 Employment Record | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.6 Weapon | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.18 Violent Street Gang |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.6 Family Ties and Responsibilities | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.7 Disruption of Government Function | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.20 Aberrant Behavior |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.11 Military Service | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.8 Extreme Conduct | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.21 Dismissed and Uncharged Conduct |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.11 Charitable Service/Good Works | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.9 Criminal Purpose | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.22 Sex Offender Characteristics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5K1.1 Substantial Assistance | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.10 Victim's Conduct | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.23 Discharged Terms of Imprisonment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.0 Aggravating/Mitigating Circumstances | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.11 Lesser Harm | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.24 Unauthorized Insignia |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K3.1 Early Disposition Program (EDP) |
- ☐ Other Guideline Reason(s) for Departure, to include departures pursuant to the commentary in the Guidelines Manual (see "List of Departure Provisions" following the Index in the Guidelines Manual). *(Please specify):*

- D. ☐ State the basis for the departure. *(Use Section VIII if necessary)*

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- ☐ above the guideline range
☒ below the guideline range

B. Motion for a variance before the court pursuant to *(Check all that apply and specify reason(s) in sections C and D):*

1. **Plea Agreement**
☐ binding plea agreement for a variance accepted by the court
☐ plea agreement for a variance, which the court finds to be reasonable
☐ plea agreement that states that the government will not oppose a defense motion for a variance
2. **Motion Not Addressed in a Plea Agreement**
☐ government motion for a variance
☐ defense motion for a variance to which the government did not object
☐ defense motion for a variance to which the government objected
☐ joint motion by both parties
3. **Other**
☒ Other than a plea agreement or motion by the parties for a variance

C. 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a) and other reason(s) for a variance *(Check all that apply)*

- ☒ The nature and circumstances of the offense pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(1)
☐ Mens Rea ☐ Extreme Conduct ☐ Dismissed/Uncharged Conduct
☒ Role in the Offense ☐ Victim Impact
☐ General Aggravating or Mitigating Factors *(Specify)* _____
- ☒ The history and characteristics of the defendant pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(1)
☐ Aberrant Behavior ☐ Age ☐ Charitable Service/Good Works
☐ Community Ties ☐ Diminished Capacity ☒ Drug or Alcohol Dependence
☒ Employment Record ☐ Family Ties and Responsibilities ☐ Lack of Youthful Guidance
☒ Mental and Emotional Condition ☐ Military Service ☐ Non-Violent Offender
☐ Physical Condition ☐ Pre-sentence Rehabilitation ☒ Remorse/Lack of Remorse
☐ Other *(Specify)*: _____ ☐ Issues with Criminal History *(Specify)*: _____
- ☒ To reflect the seriousness of the offense, to promote respect for the law, and to provide just punishment for the offense (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(A))
☒ To afford adequate deterrence to criminal conduct (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(B))
☒ To protect the public from further crimes of the defendant (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(C))
☐ To provide the defendant with needed educational or vocational training (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(D))
☐ To provide the defendant with medical care (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(D))
☒ To provide the defendant with other correctional treatment in the most effective manner (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(2)(D))
☐ To avoid unwarranted sentencing disparities among defendants (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(6)) *(Specify in section D)*
☐ To provide restitution to any victims of the offense (18 U.S.C. § 3553(a)(7))
☒ Acceptance of Responsibility ☐ Conduct Pre-trial/On Bond ☐ Cooperation Without Government Motion for Departure
☐ Early Plea Agreement ☐ Global Plea Agreement
☐ Time Served *(not counted in sentence)* ☐ Waiver of Indictment ☐ Waiver of Appeal
☐ Policy Disagreement with the Guidelines *(Kimbrough v. U.S., 552 U.S. 85 (2007). (Specify):* _____
☐ Other *(Specify)*: _____

D. State the basis for a variance. *(Use Section VIII if necessary)*

See Section VIII.

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A. ☒ **Restitution not applicable.**

B. **Total amount of restitution: \$00**

C. **Restitution not ordered** (*Check only one*):

1. ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A, restitution is not ordered because the number of identifiable victims is so large as to make restitution impracticable under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A(c)(3)(A).
2. ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A, restitution is not ordered because determining complex issues of fact and relating them to the cause or amount of the victims' losses would complicate or prolong the sentencing process to a degree that the need to provide restitution to any victim would be outweighed by the burden on the sentencing process under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A(c)(3)(B).
3. ☐ For other offenses for which restitution is authorized under 18 U.S.C. § 3663 and/or required by the sentencing guidelines, restitution is not ordered because the complication and prolongation of the sentencing process resulting from the fashioning of a restitution order outweigh the need to provide restitution to any victims under 18 U.S.C. § 3663(a)(1)(B)(ii).
4. ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1593, 2248, 2259, 2264, 2327 or 3663A, restitution is not ordered because the victim(s)' losses were not ascertainable (18 U.S.C. § 3664(d)(5)).
5. ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1593, 2248, 2259, 2264, 2327 or 3663A, restitution is not ordered because the victim(s) elected to not participate in any phase of determining the restitution order (18 U.S.C. § 3664(g)(1)).
6. ☐ Restitution is not ordered for other reasons. (*Explain*)

D. ☐ **Partial restitution is ordered for these reasons** (18 U.S.C. § 3553(c)):

VIII. ADDITIONAL BASIS FOR THE SENTENCE IN THIS CASE (*If applicable*)

Defendant's conduct is very serious. He perpetuated the devastating drug situation in Billings by distributing fentanyl. At the same time, Defendant was a lower-level distributor in this conspiracy, as he received drugs from a co-defendant who received the drugs from another co-defendant who brought the drugs into Montana from Washington. Additionally, Defendant's conduct is entirely fueled by his addiction. Defendant has been using drugs and alcohol since he was 16 and has received a good amount of treatment. His continued use demonstrates the severity of his addiction, but also the need for Defendant to take treatment and any dedication to sobriety seriously. As such, the Court believes Defendant would benefit greatly from a state drug court, particularly since Defendant's guideline range would not allow him to participate in RDAP and since Defendant appears to be committed to treatment. For these reasons, the Court finds a term of imprisonment of 12 months and 1 day balances the need for punishment due to the seriousness of Defendant's conduct with the need for treatment to help Defendant get sober and to deter future criminal conduct.

Defendant's Soc. Sec. No.: 516-29-1403

Defendant's Date of Birth: 02/19/1995

Defendant's Residence Address: 3320 Ravalli Place Sovereign Sober
Living, Billings, Montana 59102

Defendant's Mailing Address:

March 7, 2024

Date of Imposition of Judgment

March 7, 2024

Date Signed


Susan P. Watters
United States District Judge